4. ICMR also initiates Centers of excellence for advanced research, cancer registries and many such programmers.

5. ICMR also awards fellowships to young scientists. The selection takes place through a national level tests.

6. The ICMR website (http://www.icmr.nic.in) disseminates detailed information for each of its extramural programme including downloadable application forms. The extramural research projects can also be searched by subjects, institutes, scientist or title from the ICMR website. Graphical analysis of funding pattern of extramural research is also available on the website.

Delay in setting up **of new AIIMS like institutions**

t*464. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI MAHMOOD A. MADANI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the reasons for delay in setting up new institutions on the lines of All India Institute of Medical Sciences;

(b) the details of projects undertaken, so far, institution-wise;

(c) the details of funds allocated to each institution during the last five years, along with the amounts spent out of it; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government for early setting up of these institutions?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS): (a) to (d) The proposal for setting up of AIIMS-like institutions was approved by CCEA on 16.3.2006. The bid process for selection of the Project Consultant for the entire project had been started in 2004-05. This continued in 2006 but proved to be unresponsive. The offer of shortlisted Architectural Design Consultant for preparing enlarged concept design was rejected due to the exorbitantly high price quoted by the selected designer. Therefore, the whole process had to be initiated de novo **in** December, 2006. Several methodological changes were made to ensure progress keeping in mind the complexity of building 6 such institutions simultaneously and lack of capacity for taking the whole project as one. Therefore, it was decided that each AIIMS site would be taken as a separate and independent project instead of clubbing all six together. The construction of housing complex was also separated from that of the Hospital and Medical College.

The Design-DPR consultants have been selected for each site through open competitive bidding and lay-out master plans for each site have been approved. Preliminary architectural designs for the sites at Bhopal, Jodhpur and Rishikesh have been approved on 22.4.2008 and other three are likely to be approved in May, 2008. The detailed project reports (DPR) would be ready by July-August, 2008. Thereafter,.tenders would be invited for selection of contractor for civil construction work.

In so far as construction of residential complex (housing & hostel) is concerned, bids were invited for selection of turn-key Developers. However, bid process was successful only for Jodhpur site . where work was awarded to M/s. Rajasthan State Road Development Corporation, aPSU of Government of Rajasthan and is in progress. The work relating to construction of residential complex at Rishikesh and Patna was entrusted to HLL and for Bhubaneswar and Raipur to HSCC. Concept plans for the residential complex at all the sites have been approved. Bids invited for selection of contractors for Bhubaneswar and Raipur sites by HSCC has turned unsuccessful due to exorbitant price quoted by bidders. It has been decided to re-tender for both the sites. Tenders for all the other 3 sites will be issued in May, 2008.

The work of residential complexes is likely to be completed by 2009-10 and the hospital-medical college complexes by 2010-11.

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The details of funds allocated for the PMSSY and expenditure thereon during the last three years are as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Funds allocation at BE Stage	Funds allocation at Re stage	Expenditure
2004-05	60.00	10.00	6.15
2005-06	250.00	6.00	2.52
2006-07	75.00	10.00	6.36
2007-08	150.00	90.00	88.75

Project Management Consultant for each site has been selected for expeditious execution of the work. Ministry has initiated steps to set up dedicated project cell at each site comprising medical expert, engineers and administrative support staff. Each of the projects is being closely monitored by the Ministry.

CBI inquiry into case of M/s **Dow Chemicals**

*467. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 423 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th May, 2007 and state:

(a) whether CBI inquiry into the case of bribing of incumbent officials in the Central Insecticide Board and in various States' inspectorates by M/s Dow Chemicals of USA for obtaining approval for production/marketing of their several inadmissible products in India has since been completed;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) whether steps have been taken for debarring M/s Dow Chemicals from producing/marketing their products in India in deference to the demands made in Rajya Sabha on 4th May, 2007;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reaons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) The Ministry of Agriculture has not yet received any enquiry report from the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in this regard.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) A view can be taken only after enquiry report of the CBI has been received.

Categories for steel consumers

†468. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLIMANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that steel consumers in the country have been divided into various categories for purchasing steel;

(b) if so, the details of such categories along with the identified consumers in each category;

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